

# *This Little Dot of Mine*

"Involvement with Campus Crusade for Christ is an excellent foundation upon which to build an adult life and professional career. For where do we find the answers and the resources to chart and navigate our lives so that Christ's will for us can be recognized and fulfilled? We find those answers in prayer and ministry." - Elizabeth Hanford Dole, President, American Red Cross

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*My life is short  
a tiny dot  
on a long thin line  
my goal is to live it to the fullest  
this little dot of mine  
I'd choose to live for the here and now  
if the dot is all there is  
But surely my life is*



*if the long thin line exists.*

Campus Crusade for Christ (CCC) used this poem in a Freshmen Outreach Program when I first entered Nanyang Technological University (NTU) in 1999. I believe this poem still strikes a cord with those who catch its simple truth – because my life is no mere dot, I am going to live it purposefully.

## *The Vision*

Campus Crusade for Christ seeks to build spiritual movements everywhere. The vision of East Asia Office is for East Asia to become a major missionary sending base.

## *The Call*

*Jesus went over to the collection box in the Temple and sat and watched as the crowds dropped in their money. Many rich people put in large amounts. Then a poor widow came and dropped in two pennies. He called his disciples to him and said, "I assure you, this poor widow has given more than all the others have given. For they gave a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she has." (Mark 12:41-44)*

Compared to the amounts offered by the rich people, this widow's offering was nothing! Yet, Jesus commended her before his disciples. The rich gave a small portion of their abundance back to God, whereas the widow gave God her *everything* – all she had to live on! I see this moving passage of

Scripture as God's challenge for me to give Him my *everything*.

## *The Reason*

God used CCC in NTU to provide an environment that has been instrumental in my growth towards maturity as a Christian. I had been a Christian for 10 years – I prayed and received Christ when I was in primary 3 during a chapel service in Methodist Girls' Primary School. However, it was only in NTU that I was systematically followed-up and assured of my salvation. Through the discipleship groups and various programs in NTU CCC, I was trained and equipped. I also had several opportunities to serve in leadership. Since God has blessed me so richly through Campus Crusade for Christ, it is my desire to serve in this ministry to bless others.

## *The Office*

I wanted a place to apply my skills that I learned studying in Computer Engineering in NTU. I desired to expand my vision, beyond just Singapore. Working in the regional office gives me the opportunity to see how God is moving among the nations in the East Asia region.

## *The Timing*

I graduated from NTU one semester later than most of my classmates, because I had to re-take one subject. When I graduated in December 2003, several of my classmates, who had graduated in June, were still looking for permanent jobs. This knowledge helped my parents give their approval for me to start work in Campus Crusade for Christ.



### *The Work*

**Research:** As part of our InfoComm department's strategic plan to explore new technologies, I research new methods that we could possibly apply and use at work – to make ministry more effective.

**Training:** Since 2006, I have been put in charge of planning and conducting workshops – to train staff members in using applications and software tools to increase their effectiveness in ministry.

**Operations:** I am also involved with the daily operations of the office. I install new computers, setting them up according to our office standards, for staff members.

### *The Impact*

Through the workshops conducted, the staff members of East Asia Office are equipped with skills, which help them to be more effective and efficient in their respective areas of ministry.

If staff members encounter problems, I also help to troubleshoot and provide some technical support, so that their computer-related issue can be resolved quickly.

My work and ministry allows my boss to concentrate on strategic planning. He is also freed up to travel to regional and national offices, to encourage and minister to them.

### *A Partnership*

Campus Crusade for Christ is a non-profit organization supported by contributions from individuals, businesses, churches, and foundations. The policy of CCC is for every staff member to raise his/her own team of prayer and financial supporters. Raising my own support is also my desire. I am trusting God to raise a **monthly support of S\$1825** to cover **my living allowance, CPF (employer & employee), insurance, and ministry reimbursements.**

I would like to invite you to prayerfully consider joining me and partnering Christ in the work of CCC. Your partnership can help impact the lives and destiny of people who have never heard the gospel of Jesus Christ, and thus, help in building spiritual movements everywhere and contribute to fulfill the Great Commission in this generation. Please let me know what you think.

*Amelia Tan*

### *An Insight*

*Through the Internet ministry of CCC (TruthMedia): Each month, the websites receive 800,000 visitors and about 1,200 people give their lives to the Lord. On average, at least two people come to Christ or rededicate their lives every hour.*

\* Statistics as of 2006. (<http://www.truthmedia.com/getinvolved/fundappeal0705.html>)